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may aspire with credit to himself and the

In addition to the names already telegraphed as seeking for the appointment of

Col. Bayles were those of J. H. H. Woodard, Z. Gibbons, George W. Smith, James Bradley, L. H. Terrell, John M. Callahan, W. G. Dillard, J. C. Nauts, M. M. Carr, G. M. Loyd, E. W. Sihere, James Mullins, Z. Wheat and W. H. Duckwell.

From these papers and names the people of Louisville can understand the full strength of the movement, which secured for Col. Bayles the appointment of postmaster in their city, whether he will finally receive the commission which is already made out or not is not clear.

HEROISM.

A Father Sacrifices His Son's Life to Save a Passenger Train—Remarkable Instance of Devotion to Duty.

From the N. Y. Star, 11th.

A most notable and wonderful instance of devotion to duty was shown by the

bridgeman on the Newark and New Jersey railroad yesterday—indeed, a devotion that seems unnatural, for the man in question sacrificed his child's life to save the lives of others.

James Decker, the man in question, is

employed to open and close the draw-bridge on the Passaic river. Yesterday morning Decker, as usual, was employed upon the bridge, accompanied by his son, a lad of ten years. Some vessels requiring to go up the stream, the bridge was opened by Decker and the boats permitted to

pass through. There was not much time to spare in closing the bridge, a train being due there in a few minutes. Slowly the bridge turned on its table, and when within a few yards of its proper position, Decker heard the shrill whistle of the locomotive on its way to the Jersey depot. At almost the same moment he heard a cry from

help coming from beneath the bridge, and looking down into the water, he observed with horror that his son had fallen into the river and was struggling for life. He could easily have jumped down into the water and saved his boy, but the train was coming on at a rapid pace, and the bridge was still open, and to save his son was to insure the destruction of the train.

Parental love is strong, and it was strong in Decker; the first impulse of the father was to leave the train to its fate and save the boy, but the devotion to duty overcame parental affection, and he instantly determined to save the train by closing the bridge. The draw was arranged with all the speed possible, and

then Decker refused to the assistance of his child, but it was too late, for the boy had sunk to be seen no more alive. He obtained assistance, and in a few minutes recovered the body of the poor little one. Great indeed was the father's grief, although he did not regret the decision that ended his son's life. This is an event almost without a parallel, and seems quite as improbable as are many of the scenes described in the yellow-covered literature.

The Louisville, Shelbyville and Danville Railroad.
From the Danville Advocate.

We are well convinced that our best chance for an immediate railroad connection is the extension of the Louisville and

Shelbyville Railroad to this point. We do not see that this project will interfere in the least with the great Cincinnati and Southern Railroad; and while this latter project is in process of development we might take hold of this short line to Louisville via Shelbyville and get it under contract. We have before us a letter written by a responsible business man of Shelbyville to an enterprising railroad man of our town, in which he gives us the important information that one hundred

thousand voters last Saturday by Shelby to the Cumberland and Ohio Railroad goes to the extension of the Louisville road from Shelbyville to Danville, by the terms of the subscription—and they have one hundred and sixty thousand dollars more of stock to be expended in work on this road east of Shelbyville. It is known, perhaps to the most of our readers, that the road from Hobbs depot to Shelbyville is now under contract, and it will be in running order

in twelve months. The people of this county have already taken five hundred thousand dollars in this road and it does seem to us that the people of Boyle, Mercer and Anderson should take the necessary steps to second, with a corresponding liberal spirit, the efforts the people of Shelby county are making towards the completion of this road.

We are inclined to believe that a proposition for one hundred and fifty thousand dollars stock in this road would be voted by a very large majority of the people of the whole county of Boyle.

Fight Between a Robson and Ship Crew.

An English steamer, which arrived at Liverpool from Africa a short time since, had on board three giant chameas or baboons, two crocodiles, several monkeys and other specimens of the natural history of the country. The baboons were very ferocious and possessed of great strength. For their custody a strong den, with iron bars, was provided and placed near the fore-castle, so that they could be constantly under the eye of the crew. All went well until the morning of the second day, when a crash was heard, and in an

stant the large Chacma had wrenched several bars off, and the next instant was on the fore-castle, armed with the bars with which he had been confined. Here his majesty paused for a moment, and in a dignified manner surveyed his captors. A royal order having been got, a poose was formed and cast over his head, and he struggled hard to extricate himself, but without avail.

He then attacked one of the seamstresses whom he seized by the arm, and, notwithstanding her resistance, he forced her to furnish him with weapons, the brute would not relinquish his hold until he had torn the flesh from above the elbow to near the wrist, and had been rendered insensible when he was carried to his den.

A bold attempt was made to rob the First National Bank of Springfield, Illinois, on Friday last. A stranger walked up to the counter and stated that he wanted to see \$5,000 of 5-20s of 1898 and \$3,000 of 1897. The cashier proceeded to hand him to purchase \$900 in gold and the balance in 10-40 bonds. This transaction it will be seen, involved some calculation, and while the president and teller of the bank were making it, a confederate of the stranger slipped into the vault and seized a package containing \$15,000. He was making his way out of the bank, when he was encountered by the cashier, who immediately cornered him. The stranger then rushed to the vault and took out a package of money. The former gave his name as Harper and the latter as Stauffer.

